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TITLE OF INVENTION: OUTPUT COUPLING CAPACITOR FREE AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER DYNAMICALLY CONFIGURED FOR SPEAKERS AND HEADPHONES WITH EXCELLENT CLICK AND POP PERFORMANCE

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